extend the collaborative framework.

Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, the Kentucky Virtual Library (KYVL) facilitates lifelong learning, teaching and research for all Kentucky residents. KYVL seamlessly links the state's library catalogs, reference databases, historical documents, and government information into an easily accessible, Web-based collection. Supported by OCLC SiteSearch suite software, the OCLC FirstSearch service and the OCLC Cataloging and Interlibrary Loan services, KYVL has extended online resources to all Kentucky libraries and revitalized the spirit of interlibrary cooperation.

"The Kentucky Virtual Library has opened up a whole new world of information for me. WorldCat in particular is an endless source of inspiration and valuable data." Rich Stallings, library user, Mercer County Public Library, and owner, Cultural Horizons, Inc.





KYVL is a cooperative project involving every library in Kentucky, including public and private universities, community and technical colleges, public libraries, schools,

state agencies, and special libraries. At Jefferson Community College, Louisville, right, and Mercer County Public Library, Harrodsburg, above, the new features and linking that KYVL provides are revitalizing library services for their users.





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Students at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School, Lexington, access 16 OCLC FirstSearch databases via the Kentucky Virtual Library gateway. Librarian Lynda Short, far right, works closely with teachers to support classroom curriculum with database searching and library skills.

